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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.114

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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1.	Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114					
		Previously submitted				
			Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on . (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).			

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			Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Briefiled on	f previously		
			Other:			
	$\boxtimes$	Enclosed				
		$\boxtimes$	Amendment/Reply under 37 CFR § 1.116			
			Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)			
			Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)			
			Other:			
2.	Miscellaneous					
		Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 3 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall no exceed three (3) months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) required)				

## FEE CALCULATION:

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RCE BASIC FILING FEE				\$395.00	\$	\$790.00	\$790.00
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER RCE	HIGHEST NO. PAID FOR	EXTRA				
TOTAL CLAIMS	23	23 (20 MINIMUM)	0	\$25 EACH	\$	\$50 EACH	\$0
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	3 (3 MINIMUM)	0	\$100 EACH	\$	\$200 EACH	\$0
FIRST PRESI	\$180	\$	\$360	\$0			
☐ ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME					\$	\$120	\$0
☐ TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME					\$	\$450	\$0
☐ THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME					\$	\$1020	\$1020.00
☐ FOUR MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME					\$	\$1590	\$0
FIVE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME (May only be taken when filing RCE in lieu of Appeal Brief)				\$1080	\$	\$2160	\$0
LESS ANY EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID				minus	(\$)	minus	(\$0)
☐ TERMINAL DISCLAIMER				\$65	\$	\$130	\$0
TOTAL FEE DUE					\$		\$1810.00

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	or credit any overpayment to D	eposit Account No	o. 23-3050.	

DOCKET NO.: MSFT-0672/158461.01 - 3 -**PATENT**  $\boxtimes$ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-3050 in the amount of \$1810.00. This sheet is attached in duplicate.  $\boxtimes$ A response to the Final Rejection dated August 4, 2006 was due on November 4, 2006. Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) to extend the time period for response from August 4, 2006 to and through February 5, 2007 comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of 3 months. A Notice of Appeal was filed . An Appeal Brief is due on Applicants are filing this Request for Continued Examination in lieu of this Appeal Brief. Petition is hereby made to extend the time period from and through comprising a total extension of  $\boxtimes$ The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.  $\boxtimes$ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment of the fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

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